

SCOMBER DUCTOR.

CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Caput compressum, læve.

Membrana branchiostega radiis septem.

Corpus læve, linea laterali postice carinatum.

Pinnæ spuriæ sæpius versus caudam.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 492.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

SCOMBER glaucus, fasciis transversis cyaneis,
cauda fasciis duabus obliquis nigris.

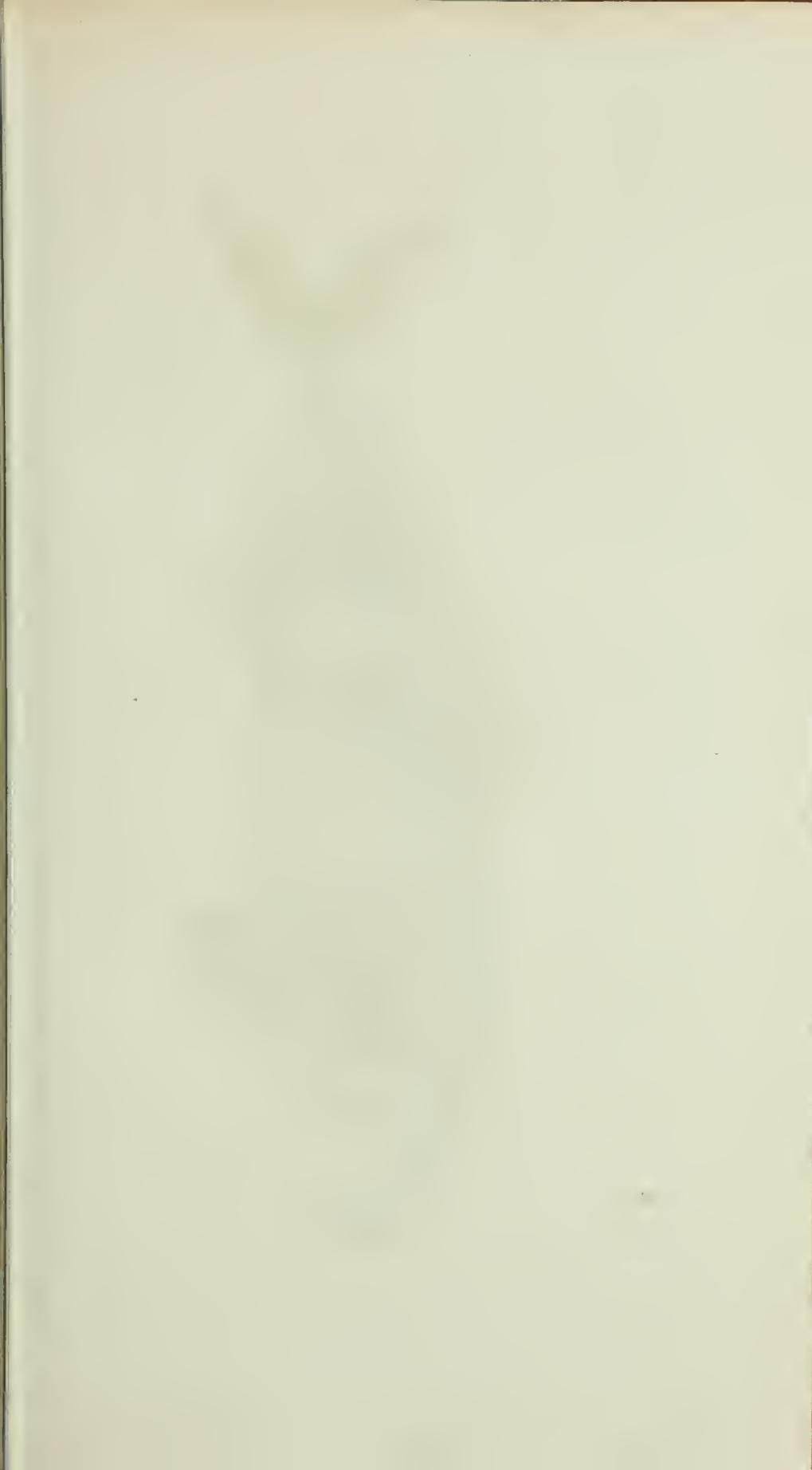
Gasterosteus DUCTOR. G. spinis dorsalibus
quatuor.

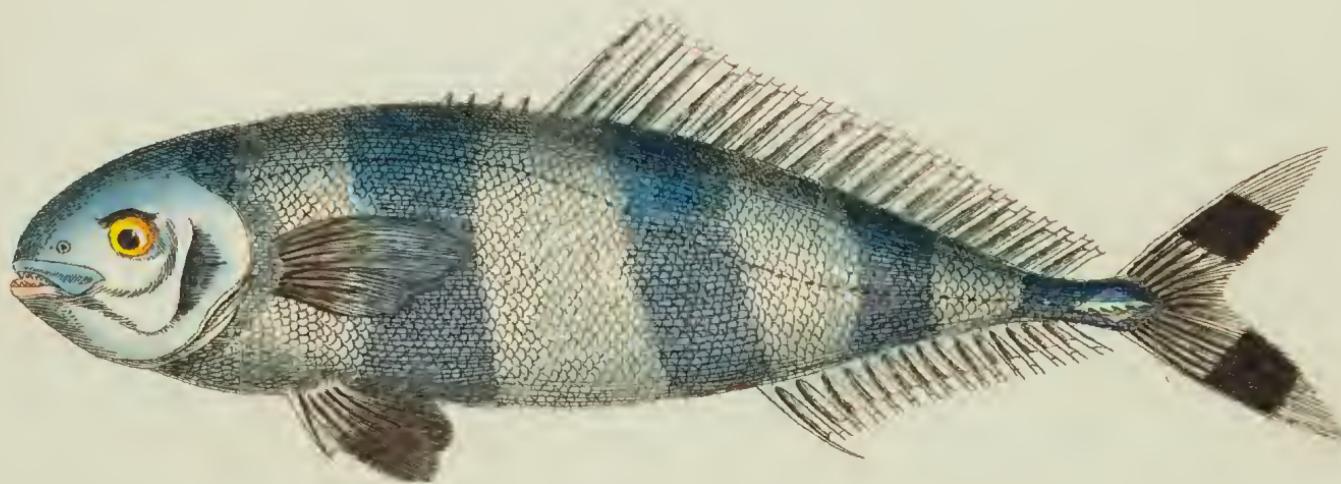
Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 489.

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Bloch. ichth. 10. p. 51. t. 338.

Quod squalo iter facienti comitem se sæpissime adjungere et præire solitus sit, non inepte inditum est huic pisci nomen *Scombri Ductoris*. Incolit præcipue mare Mediterraneum et Atlanticum, Scombro communi paulo major, et in cibis habetur delicatioribus.





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THE
PILOT MACKREL.



GENERIC CHARACTER.

Head compressed, smooth.

Gill-Membrane furnished with seven rays.

Body smooth, carinated at the hind part by the lateral line.

Spurious Pinnules (in many species) towards the tail.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

Glaucous MACKREL, with deep-blue transverse bands, and two oblique black bands across the tail.

The PILOT-FISH.

The PILOT MACKREL.

The Scomber Ductor or Pilot Mackrel, so named from its often preceding or accompanying the Shark in its excursions, is principally seen in the Mediterranean and Atlantic seas. In size it is somewhat superior to a common Mackrel, and is considered as an excellent article of food.